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# CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST Wednesday, May 31, 2006 Board of County Commission Chambers Stephen P. Clark Center – 111 NW 1 Street 2 p.m.

#### **Summary of Minutes**

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Marc A. Buoniconti, Chairman Harold Braynon, Jr., Vice-Chairman Hon. Anna E. Ward, Ph.D. Angelberto "Angel" DeCoro Theodore Wilde Miles Moss, P.E. Rodney Sanders Hon. James Reeder

#### **ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY:**

Bruce Libhaber

#### **OTHERS PRESENT:**

Nan A. Markowitz, Executive Director, OCITT Carlos F. Bonzon, Ph.D., P.E., CMO Roosevelt Bradley, Director, MDT Patrice Rosemond, OCITT Cheryl Clark, SFRTA Nya Lake, OCITT Albert Hernandez, P.E., MDT Lyn Harris, MDT Dan Ricker, Watchdog Report Isabel G. Jettinghoff, PEG

Nestor Toledo, OCITT
Maria E. Johnson, OCITT
Ester Calas, Director, PWD
David Tinder, P.E., PWD
Lourdes Gomez, MDT
Patricia David, OCITT
Marlene Amaro, OCITT
Noel Aranha, OCA
Chimene Graham, MDT
Mayra Bustamante, MDT

# **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

With a quorum present, Mr. Buoniconti called the meeting to order at 2:11 p.m. Ms. Markowitz stated that Mr. Givens was unable to attend the meeting, therefore, item (2) two on the agenda will be postponed. Mr. Moss moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Braynon and carried without dissent.

#### APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Ward moved to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Moss and carried without dissent. Dr. Ward moved to include item 7B in the consent agenda. Mr. Libhaber advised that according to the CITT By-Laws, any one Member could request that an item be kept outside of the consent agenda. Mr. Reeder asked that the item be kept outside the consent agenda. Dr. Ward removed her motion. Mr. Moss suggested adding item 7C to the consent agenda. Mr. Reeder asked that item 7C be kept outside the consent agenda.

# **CITIZENS' COMMENTS**

None

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Moss moved to approve the minutes of April 26, 2006. The motion was seconded by Mr. Reeder and carried without dissent.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

A. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION, AUTHORIZING A NON-EXCLUSIVE PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT (PSA) BETWEEN KEITH AND SCHNARS, P.A., AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) PROJECT NO. 20040372 ENTITLED DESIGN OF ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT ALONG SW 157 AVENUE, FROM SW 184 STREET TO SW 152 STREET, TO BE FUNDED IN FULL BY THE CHARTER COUNTY TRANSIT SYSTEM SALES SURTAX FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$424.811.64 (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS)

Mr. Moss moved to approve Item 7A; the motion was seconded by Mr. Braynon and was rejected with a vote of five to three.

Harold Braynon	No	Miles Moss	Yes
Hon. Anna Ward	Yes	Angel DeCoro	No
Rodney Sanders	No	Theodore Wilde	No
Marc Buoniconti	Yes	Hon. James Reeder	No

Mr. Reeder asked why the District's Neighborhood Improvement Fund is not funding this project. Mr. Tinder replied that this project is listed in the PTP. Mr. Wilde voiced his concern regarding necessity for this project. In addition, Mr. Wilde presented and reviewed his Traffic Study for SW 157 Avenue between SW 136 Street and SW 184 Street. Mr. Moss stated that the traffic in this area is not at a high volume now but is in the developmental phase and the will increase in the future. Mr. Moss further stated that to avoid traffic congestion, it would be preemptive to build the road ahead of time. Ms. Esther Calas, Director, PWD, stated that the road on SW 184 Street and SW 157 Avenue is a zoned right-of-way. In addition, she stated that whatever development is done in that area, the developer would be required to dedicate and build the road. Mr. Libhaber stated that since the item was rejected by the CITT, the item would return to the BCC for reconsideration. Mr. Buoniconti requested that a copy of Mr. Wilde's Traffic Study be sent to the BCC with the item for reconsideration. (Verbatim minutes for this item only is available upon request)

B. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION, AUTHORIZING A \$195,684,430 AWARD OF CONTRACT NO. 407A TO OPTIMA BUS CORPORATION (OPTIMA) TO MANUFACTURE AND SUPPLY UP TO 300 SMALL, LOW FLOOR TRANSIT BUSES, WITH AN OPTION TO PURCHASE AN ADDITIONAL 300 BUSES TO A MAXIMUM OF 600 BUSES, AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAME FOR AND ON BEHALF OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY WITH AUTHORITY TO EXERCISE OPTIONS ESTABLISHED THEREUNDER - TO BE FUNDED IN PART BY THE CHARTER COUNTY TRANSIT SYSTEM SALES SURTAX IN THE AMOUNT OF \$156,547,544 (MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT-BCC LEGISLATIVE FILE NO 060739)

Mr. Moss moved to approve Item 7B; the motion was seconded by Mr. Braynon and carried without dissent.

C. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) SUPPORTING THE USE OF CHARTER COUNTY TRANSIT SYSTEM SALES SURTAX FUNDS AS A FIFTY PERCENT MATCH FOR THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2006-2007 TRANSPORTATION REGIONAL INCENTIVE PROGRAM (TRIP) PROJECTS

Mr. Moss moved to approve Item 7B; the motion was seconded by Mr. Braynon and carried without dissent.

#### **REPORTS**

**Mr. Roosevelt Bradley, Director, MDT,** provided a report on the Miami-Dade Transit Goals for May 2006 (report distributed):

- Implement Goals of PTP
- Recreate Department's Image through Futuristic Designs and Facilities
- Improve the System's Reliability
- Improve the Courtesy and Customer Service Provided.

Mr. Albert Hernandez, Deputy Director, Engineering, MDT, provided an update on the East-West Corridor (MIC to Florida International University). Mr. Moss asked if funds would be available for the Baylink project by 2016. Mr. Bradley answered in the affirmative.

**Mr. David Tinder, PTP Coordinator, PWD,** reported on the Public Works Department's (PWD) People's Transportation Plan (PTP) Goals (report distributed):

- Implement PWD's Major PTP Projects
- Implement PWD's Neighborhood PTP Projects
- Picking the "Low-Hanging" PTP Fruit
- Commence Work on all PWD PTP Projects

Ms. Calas provided a brief update on the Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS). Mr. Reeder requested a list of the locations for installation of the LED sites. Mr. Sanders requested the Hurricane resistance specifications on the traffic signs and mast arms. Ms. Calas replied that she would provide the Members with the information requested. Mr. DeCoro inquired about the completion of the school flashing lights located near Palm Spring North Elementary. Ms. Calas responded that an inspection is scheduled for next week and FPL has been contacted to activate the signals after the final inspection. Ms. Calas informed that the County Manager is reviewing the budget for Traffic Signal personnel for PWD and she will keep the Members informed on the decisions.

**Mr. Nestor Toledo, Municipal Liaison, OCITT,** provided an update on the municipalities (report distributed). Mr. Wilde asked what would be done regarding the overlapping of routes with the City of Miami's Streetcar Project and the Metrorail. Ms. Markowitz responded that the Project Advisory Group is reviewing the Streetcar Project and overlapping is minimal.

Mr. Sanders asked for an update on the extension of the Tri-Rail. Mr. Bradley replied that the routes are being evaluated and will be brought before the MPO. Dr. Bonzon stated that the

County is working with FDOT and Tri-Rail representatives for the purchase of the CSX Corridor.

**Ms. Patrice Rosemond, Community Outreach, OCITT,** reported on outreach activities, the Department of Business Development's upcoming outreach events and scheduled meetings (report distributed.) In addition, Ms. Rosemond provided a summary and legislative timeline of programs by minorities in County contracts during the construction of Stage 1 Metrorail, 1980-1984. Ms. Rosemond distributed the CITT Newsletter.

**Ms. Maria Johnson, Manager, Project Review and Financial Analysis, OCITT,** provided a report on the "Charter County Transit System Sales Surtax Collection Report as of April 2006," the "CITT Cash Analysis of Charter County Transit System Sales Surtax," the "OCITT PTP Contracts," and the "OCITT PTP Active Contracts Status Report for PWD" (reports distributed).

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### CHAIRMAN'S REPORT - MARC A. BUONICONTI

Mr. Buoniconti reported that a copy of the 90-Day Report was distributed to the Mayor and BCC.

Mr. Buoniconti provided a brief overview of the "Funding a New Position to Inspect/Oversee PTP Projects in the Field" memorandum (distributed). Mr. Moss requested that the memorandum be reviewed in detail at the June 19, 2006, Project and Financial Review Committee Meeting.

Mr. Buoniconti updated the Members on what was discussed at the Joint BCC/CITT Workshop. The Members requested that the County Attorney's Office prepare a draft of the proposed Ordinance changes discussed at the Joint BCC/CITT workshop with Commissioner Gimenez and forward a copy to the Members for review. Mr. Buoniconti requested a workshop meeting to be scheduled an hour before the June 28, 2006, meeting to discuss the proposed ordinance change. Mr. Moss asked staff to prepare an executive summary on the proposed Ordinance changes as to how the CITT would change the manner in which it conducts business.

#### COMMUNITY OUTREACH COMMITTEE REVIEW - HON. LINDA ZILBER

Ms. Markowitz reported in Ms. Zilber's absence that the Community Outreach Committee voted to display the photos of past CITT Chairmans in the CITT conference room.

#### PROJECT AND FINANCIAL COMMITTEE REVIEW - MILES MOSS

Mr. Moss reported that the Project and Financial Review Committee covered the consent agenda items in detail at the May 22, 2006, meeting.

Mr. Moss stated that the Project and Financial Review Committee discussed what the CITT could do to improve Pedestrian Safety. Mr. Moss further stated that Mr. David Henderson, Bicycle/Pedestrian Specialist, MPO, was invited to provide a presentation at the June 19, 2006, Project and Financial Review Meeting.

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – NAN MARKOWITZ**

Ms. Markowitz introduced Aaron Labreque the OCITT Summer College Intern.

Ms. Markowitz stated that Commissioner Sosa, Commissioner Sorenson, and Commissioner Gimenez have rejected their slates, therefore, the OCITT will be advertising for those Districts again. Commissioner Moss appointed Mr. Givens for an additional four years with the CITT.

Ms. Markowitz invited all the Members to attend the Municipal Workshop on June 23, 2006.

Ms. Markowitz informed the Members that the trafficrelief.com and the miamidade.gov/citt web sites have been consolidated.

# **CITIZENS' COMMENTS**

None

# **NEW BUSINESS/CITT MEMBER ISSUES**

None

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Buoniconti announced the next CITT meeting would be held on Wednesday, June 28, 2006, at 6 p.m., at Sunny Isles Beach City Hall Chambers, 18070 Collins Avenue.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:59 p.m.

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